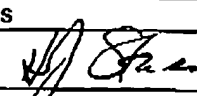


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<b>REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL</b>		Attorney Docket No.	1614.1127		
		Application Number	09/788,389		
		Filing Date	February 21, 2001		
		First Named Inventor	Mitsuru NAKAJIMA et al.		
		Group Art Unit	2164		
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	120.00	Examiner Name	H. T. Dass		
<b>FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/03)</b>					
CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	13	- 20 =	0	X \$ 50.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	7	- 7 =	0	X \$ 200.00 =	0.00
Since an Official Action set an original due date of <u>December 23, 2004</u> , petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$120)); (2 months (\$450)); (3 months (\$1,020)); (4 months (\$1,590)); (5 months (\$2,160)).					\$ 120.00
If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$500.00)					
If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$130.00)					
Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00)					
Total of above Calculations =					\$ 0.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)					
<b>TOTAL FEES DUE =</b>					<b>\$ 120.00</b>
(1) If entry (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0".					
(2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20".					
(4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0".					
(5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3".					
<b>METHOD OF PAYMENT</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Check enclosed as payment. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below. <input type="checkbox"/> No payment is enclosed and no charges to the Deposit Account are authorized at this time (unless specifically required to obtain a filing date).					
<b>GENERAL AUTHORIZATION</b>					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to: Deposit Account No. <u>19-3935</u> Deposit Account Name <u>STAAS &amp; HALSEY LLP</u>					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application.					
<b>SUBMITTED BY: STAAS &amp; HALSEY LLP</b>					
Typed Name	H. J. Staas		CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION	Reg. No.	22,010
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In re the Application of:

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For: AUTHENTICATION METHOD, AUTHENTICATION SYSTEM, PAYMENT SYSTEM,  
USER APPARATUS AND RECORDING MEDIUM CONTAINING PROGRAM FOR  
CONDUCTING AUTHENTICATION

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 23, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on December 23, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.